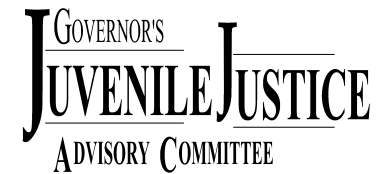


How to Apply for GJJAC Restorative Justice Technical Assistance

- Applicants for Restorative Justice must have attended the NW Justice Forum 2006.
- Applicants should carefully review the information provided in this brochure.
- Complete the Restorative Justice Technical Assistance Request Form. This form is available electronically on our website: www.juvenilejustice.dshs.wa.gov/
- Technical Assistance requests are limited to \$12,000 per community.
- Contact the Office of Juvenile Justice staff (360-725-3600) if you have any questions or need assistance.
- Technical Assistance Request forms must be received in the Office of Juvenile Justice no later than August 15, 2006.

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Restorative Justice Technical Assistance Opportunity

Purpose:

*(For participants of the
NW Justice Forum 2006.)*

Assist communities in fostering development of, or continuing efforts to further, restorative/ community justice efforts on the local level.

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Restorative Justice Technical Assistance and Training Available

The GJJAC is soliciting technical assistance proposals from participants of the NW Justice Forum 2006, to provide funding to foster development of, or continue efforts to further restorative/community justice efforts on the local level.

*The GJJAC supports communities in their efforts toward building collaborative community-based **community justice responses to juvenile crime** that incorporates restorative justice practices and principles. Such a response focuses on a balanced and restorative approach that holds juvenile offenders accountable to the people and communities they have harmed, enhances community safety and security, and provides offender rehabilitation and reintegration.*

Restorative Justice Models:

The Balanced and Restorative Justice (BARJ) Model:

The BARJ model supports a community's need to hold youthful offenders accountable for their actions to victims and provide meaningful consequences for delinquent behavior, protect the community, build offender skills and competencies, and offer opportunities for positive connections to community members. (See "Guide for Implementing the Balanced and Restorative Justice Model," December 1998, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, U.S. Dept. of Justice.)

The **Community Justice Model** expands on the concept of restorative justice. It includes all sectors of the community—parents, businesses, civic organizations, the faith community and neighborhoods—as well as institutions such as law enforcement, the

courts, juvenile probation, legal defense, prosecuting attorney's office, the school system and social services providers. All of these agencies and community members have a cooperative role in responding to and ultimately reducing juvenile crime. The principles of restorative justice are thus implemented in a wider community context. Activities typically defined as restorative justice are broadened.

Community Justice is more than an intervention program or practice. It is an integrated system for responding to juvenile offenders—one based on carefully balanced attention to community safety, victim restoration, offender accountability to the victim and the community, and offender rehabilitation within the community. A Community Juvenile Justice Model requires comprehensive and integrated strategies that accomplish the following six tasks:

•**Community Education and Mobilization:** All sectors of the community are informed and knowledgeable about the causes of juvenile crime. They are involved in responding to juvenile crime at a local and personal level.

•**Juvenile Justice System Strengthening and Reform:** The juvenile justice system continually assesses its policies and practices to ensure consistency with the principles of Community Justice.

•**Development of Crime Prevention Strategies:** Crime prevention strategies change or ameliorate conditions—within the individual, the family, the schools, the community and physical environment—that give rise to juvenile crime.

•**Offender Accountability:** Accountability strategies include programs that require a juvenile offender to assume full responsibility for his/her behavior and then to repair the harm done to the victim and the community. It should be noted that accountability differs from punishment. Punishment is externally imposed; accountability is a responsibility assumed by the juvenile.

•**Victim Involvement and Reparation:** Victim involvement requires formal mechanisms which enable a crime victim to participate in the juvenile justice system in a central and meaningful way. Reparation is achieved through interventions that reduce the harm suffered by the victim as a result of juvenile crime.

•**Pro-social Competencies in Juvenile Offenders:**

Pro-social (i.e., positive and constructive) competencies are developed through activities and interventions that nurture changed attitudes, increased knowledge and new skills.

Technical Assistance Opportunities:

The GJJAC is offering **one time** technical assistance to attendees of the NW Justice Forum 2006. Assistance is available for up to \$12,000 to aid communities in fostering development of, or continue efforts to further restorative/community justice efforts on the local level. The GJJAC anticipates that 4-5 communities will be awarded restorative justice technical assistance.

Applicants must: complete the Restorative Justice Technical Assistance Request Form.

Applicants should address the following in their request:

- Describe their current community efforts with regard to Restorative Justice. (one paragraph summary)
- Clearly identify which, if any, community juvenile justice model their community is engaged in, and the comprehensive and integrated strategies being used. (one paragraph summary)
- Identify technical assistance needs (i.e., training, mobilization, system reform, etc.)
- Justify budget request.

The GJJAC will review all TA requests received and will work with communities to identify the best way to meet the needs of requesting communities.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:
AUGUST 15, 2006.**